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ARABISM.

TEXT:

((EXCERPTS)) ((AL-QADHDHAFI CONTINUES)) THE BERBERS IN LIBYA ARE PROUD OF THEIR ARABISM EVEN MORE THAN THE POST-ISLAM ARABS, THOSE WHO CAME WITH THE ARAB CONQUESTS. THE FORMER SAY: WE ARE THE TRUE ARABS AND WE HAVE PRESERVED THE PURE ARAB BLOOD AND EVEN OUR LANGUAGE, THAT IS THE AMAZIGH LANGUAGE ((THE LANGUAGE OF THE BERBERS -- FBIS)), WHICH IS THE OLD HAMARIC LANGUAGE FROM THE SOUTH OF THE ARABIAN PENINSULA. THEY ARE PROUD IN THE JABAL NAFUSSA IN LIBYA, THIS NEW GENERATION IS PROUD TO SAY THAT THEY ARE TRUE ARABS AND THAT THEY DID NOT MINGLE WITH OTHER RACES.

AS FOR THE OTHER ARAB MIGRATIONS, THEY MINGLED, ON THEIR WAY IN THE LEVANT, THE FERTILE CRESCENT AND NORTH AFRICA, WITH OTHER POPULATIONS AND THESE ARAB COMMUNITIES REMAINED ISOLATED IN TIZI OUZOU, IN JABAL NAFUSSA AND, IN THE MOROCCAN MOUNTAINS BECAUSE THEY WERE SETTLED IN NORTH AFRICA BEFORE THE ROMANS INVADDED THIS REGION AND CHASED THEM AWAY TO THE MOUNTAINS WHERE THEY WITHDREW. THEY DID NOT MINGLE WITH THE ROMANS AND THE RAIDS USED TO COME FROM THE MOUNTAINS AGAINST THE ROMAN COLONIES IN THE PLAINS AND ON THE COAST. SUBSEQUENTLY THE ROMANS NAMED THEM BERBERS OR BARBARIANS, THAT IS, THOSE WHO PILLAGE THE PROPERTY OF THE ROMAN COLONIALISTS IN NORTH AFRICA. IT IS THE ROMANS WHO NAMED THOSE ARABS BERBERS. WE HAVE HISTORICAL EVIDENCE WHICH SHOWS EVERY BERBER TRIBE THAT ARE ARAB TRIBES ORIGINATING IN YEMEN AND THE SOUTH OF THE ARABIAN PENINSULA. ((PASSAGE OMITTED: REPEATING THE SAME; THE COLONIALISTS ATTEMPTS TO BREAK THE UNITY OF THE ARABS, IN SYRIA, AND LEBANON WITH THE MARONITES. EUROPE IS AFRAID OF THE EMERGENCE OF AN ARAB NATION WHICH IT SEES AS A PRELUDE TO A NEW ANDALUSIA AND ANOTHER ISLAMIC CONQUEST)) THIS IS INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT OF WESTERN CRUSADE. WE DO NOT HAVE THIS KIND OF SPIRIT. NOW WE WANT TO LIVE IN PEACE BUT THEY WANT TO PREVENT US FROM EXISTING AND FROM ACHIEVING UNITY AND PROGRESS. ((PASSAGE OMITTED: REFERENCE TO THE U.S. RAID WHICH DESTROYED HIS HOUSE))

THE UNITY OF THE MAGHREB IS A STEP ON THE PATH TO THE UNITY OF THE ARAB NATION AND AN AWAKENING WHICH MEETS THE EXIGENCIES OF OUR PEOPLES AND THEIR PRESSING NEED FOR THIS UNITY. IF THIS UNITY IS NOT ACHIEVED BEFORE 1992, WE WILL STAY WELL BEHIND EUROPE AND WE WILL NOT EVEN BE CAPABLE OF HAVING COMMERCIAL DEALINGS WITH IT BECAUSE WE WILL NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO SELL TO IT OR BUY FROM IT AND WE WILL STAY BEHIND. THEREFORE THIS UNITY MUST BE ACHIEVED, A REAL UNITY, BEFORE 1990 ((AS HEARD)) AND WE MUST REALIZE ARAB UNITY AND LIBERATE PALESTINE. HISTORY WILL RECORD THAT THIS UNITY IS OWED ESSENTIALLY TO BROTHER CHADLI BENDJEDID AND HIS COMRADES ((AS HEARD)) BECAUSE IT IS IN FACT THEY WHO, WITH ALL FAITH AND SINCERITY, MANAGED TO ACHIEVE THIS UNITY. YOU KNOW THAT SINCE THE AGE OF 19 I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR ARAB UNITY AND I HAVE TRIED TO CHANGE THIS MAP BUT THERE WAS NO RESPONSE. YOU REMEMBER THE UNITIES WHICH WERE

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ESTABLISHED AND WHICH WERE ABORTED.

WHEN WE ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WILL BE UNITY BETWEEN LIBYA AND ALGERIA, DID YOU SEE HOW THE UNITED STATES REACTED: IT OPENLY SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT ALLOW THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH UNITY AND IT WILL OPPOSE IT BECAUSE THIS UNITY THREATENED THE INTERESTS OF THE WEST AND THOSE OF THE UNITED STATES. IN OTHER WORDS, WE HAVE TO REMAIN DIVIDED AND BACKWARD TO SERVE THEIR INTERESTS. IT ALSO MEANS THAT WE SHOULD DIE AND THEY SACRIFICE US FOR THEIR OWN INTERESTS. BUT THIS HAS CREATED IN ALGERIA AND IN US A CHALLENGE. THEREFORE THIS UNITY MUST BE ESTABLISHED DESPITE THE UNITED STATES. WE TOO HAVE INTERESTS. FRAGMENTATION THREATENS OUR INTERESTS, AND THEIR POWER AND THEIR IMPERIALISM ALSO THREATEN OUR INTERESTS AND THREATEN EVEN OUR EXISTENCE ON EARTH. CONSEQUENTLY THE U.S. STATEMENTS REINFORCED THE CHALLENGE IN LIBYA AND IN ALGERIA AND OUR DETERMINATION THAT THIS UNITY MUST BE ESTABLISHED IN DEFIANCE OF THE UNITED STATES.

I TESTIFY THAT WE OWE THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS UNITY TO BROTHER CHADLI BENDJEDID, MESSAADIA AND HIS OTHER COMRADES. FORTUNATELY, THIS WAS GIVEN A NEW IMPETUS AND A NEW STRENGTH WITH THE 7 NOVEMBER MOVEMENT IN TUNISIA. THIS HAS GIVEN A NEW AND STRONG IMPETUS TO UNITY AND IT HAS REMOVED AN OBSTACLE IN THE WAY OF ARAB UNITY. I EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO MY BROTHER CHADLI AND TO ZINE EL ABIDINE BEN ALI FOR HIS BRAVE ACTION.

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